

## MR. DAUGHERTY BREAKS SILENCE ON MORSE CASE

## Despite Attacks, He Declares.

**SCAIFE RENEWS  
LIQUOR CHARGE**

## High Officials Use Confiscated Goods, He Again Asserts

Attorney General Daugherty for the first time has broken his silence to reply to those who have criticized him for his connection with the Morse case and for alleged laxity in the prosecution war grafters.

Mr. Daugherty said his connection with the Morse case had been "clearly shown" by correspondence between former Attorney General Wickersham and former President

**Statement by Daugherty.**  
Here is Mr. Daugherty's statement:  
"The correspondence of former President Taft and Attorney General Wickersham, which was published again this month, clearly shows my connection with the Morse case of many years ago, both civil and criminal.  
"The incentive and motives inspiring this and other agitation will not."

"The various prosecutions of w  
fraud cases will be carried out  
expeditiously as possible, irrespec  
tive of these and other activitie  
and attacks, which will be expecte  
I have faith that the people of t  
country appreciate the situation a  
have confidence in the departme  
of justice being fair, judicious a  
effective."

**Seale Renews Liquor Charge**

Other developments in the bipartisan attack on Mr. Daugherty, Congress and without, included:

1. An unsuccessful effort by Representative Johnson and Woodrum, Republicans, to persuade House Leader Mondell and Chairman Campbell of the Rules Committee to call up for action a resolution that introduced calling for an investigation of the Department of Justice's activities in connection with war fraud cases.
2. Decision of Johnson and Woodrum

3. Decision of Johnson and Woodrum to carry their fight for action on the resolution over the heads of the House leaders, and force a vote if this is possible.

4. Renewed charges by H. Scipio for

Scatfe, former employee of the Department of Justice, that high officials had converted to their own use large quantities of liquor seized by government agents, and demand that this be investigated by the special grand jury now sitting in the district.

**Intermeyer Letter Published.**

4. Statements by Scatfe that he had been informed that Daugherty had asked Peyton C. Gordon, U. S. district attorney, not to attempt to investigate or prosecute in the

5. Publication of a letter from Samuel Untermyer, New York attorney, to Woodruff, in which Untermyer declined to come to the Capital for a conference unless investigation is ordered, but expressing willingness to participate in such a conference in New York.

6. Declaration by Woodruff that such a conference would be held.

**Palmer Asks Probe.**

3. Charges by Fletcher Dobyns, special assistant attorney general in charge of the prosecution of W. Morse in connection with alleged shipping board frauds, that effort is being made to organize public sentiment hostile to the prosecution.

Johnson and Woodruff, in the conference with Campbell and Mondell, were unable to obtain any assurances that the resolution of investigation will be brought before the House. Mondell is opposed to it, as is Campbell, on the ground that the way to obtain results present is for the Department to proceed. The rules committee ordered out the resolution, and invited Campbell to call it up, but he has not done so.

Untermyer, in his letter Woodruff, said he was "satisfied nothing short of drastic public investigation will ever disclose the entire truth."

"The method now being pursued will doubtless gather in a few scapegoats for sensational effect who may or may not be tried," said Untermyer. "If Congress really wants to expose facts without fear or favor, its only course is to have public investigation followed by indictment of those exposed."

Scaife declared that if his charges that seized liquors were used without investigation, high officials of the Administration and the previous one would be involved. He said records in possession of the Department would disclose the names of those who obtained the liquor, and he demanded that an investigation be made. Information had reached him, Scaife said, that U. S. District Attorney Gordon had been asked by Attorney General Daugherty to ignore the charges in presenting the

Palmer, in advocating an investigation of his administration alien property custodian, said

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